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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Attorney General John Ashcroft

US Department of Justice

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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

This letter is sent regarding my opinion on the Microsoft (MS) anti-trust settlement. The settlement seems fair and reasonable, and I would like to see the dispute settled. MS has been a great stimulus for the advancement of technology and played a major role in the bull market of the 90s, thus the sooner the dispute is settled, the better!

MS has agreed to: (1) document and disclose the code of the interfaces built into Windows; (2) make it easier to promote non-MS software within its operating system; (3) license its operating system products to large computer makers at uniform rates.

MS has extended this offer to reach a final settlement that will help stimulate the economy and be a continued boon to the computer industry.

Thanks for your attention to this and your support in ending this litigation.

Sincerely,

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